Scott W. D.
Dec. 23 - '71

Mr Brewster

Dear Sir

I was sorry not to see Monday night and as I am going to N. York to day shall not be able to keep my engagement with you for the next three weeks -

Very truly
W. L. Scott

Berkeley Street
Dec 23d - 71

Coalburgh, Kanawha Co. W. Va
June 23d 1872

Dear S.-

Yours of the 7th I received a few days ago but have put off answering it till today as I am very busy- I arrived here a week ago Thursday but as I was unwell and very much tired by my journey of four days and nights, I did not get to work till last Monday- Since then I have taken sixty-six birds and among them some very fair ones as you will see by the list that I append and I beg of you not to feel disappointed as I have not really got the run of the country yet- The country afore said is very peculiar and I have never seen in any like before in my life- Imagine a little valley

I have several Carolina Wrens and 8 Loph: barbar-

Scott W. D.
June 28-1872

1 Opor. formosus (immature)
the mature are quite common but are wild and so I have taken none yet -
2 Empidonax traillii (2♂) -
These birds E. traillii I took on the mountains -
The above are the best of the birds I have taken and the others are all common with us but as I want to have a good set of the summer birds from here I must get all - The birds I have to get that are common are;
Stelgidopteryx serripennis -
Progne purpurea -
Melan. erythrocephalus -
Cardinalis virginianus -
Cathartes aura - Myiod. mitratus -
Hirundinalus sparverius - Etc -
Write me soon and I will keep you posted as to what I am doing -

Very truly your friend
W. D. Scott.

Remember me to Pulk and show him this -

about two miles long shut in by mountains on every side so that whatever way one looks mountains meet the eye - Down this flows flows the Kanawha River which is a large stream and into which from the mountains pour smaller streams innumerable. In the valley one finds real Carolina birds but as you go up the mountain be not surprised at anything for it is the greatest mixture of southern and northern birds that you can think of - As I have given you perhaps a faint idea of my surroundings I will now append a list of the species I have taken and then of some I have yet to get with certainty as they occur here in numbers.
3 Picus pubescens (immature birds)
18 Colyte viparea (immature birds of several different ages)
5 Sciurus ludovicianus (2♂ 3♀)
2 Helmitherus vermivorus (♂ & ♀)
3 Dem. caerulea (all ♀)

Coalburgh
July 21st 1872

Dear B.

I received you letter some few days ago and was glad to hear from you - things are all serene with me and the birds still fall - Up to date have three hundred and fifty skins - Now I must tell you some-thing that will make you laugh - I have got fifty skins of Seiurus ludovicianus and I tell you they are fine; besides these I have twenty-five worm-eating warblers which are also fine as you dont need to be told -

I am getting some nice butter flies and moths; kinds which we do not have and hope to bring home quite a collection of them - Possums are not plenty at this season and I have not got any yet - Do not despair however for I will get some if possible -

Regards to all the boys - write soon and long -

Yours Truly
Dr. D. Scott -

Scott D. D.
July 2 - 1872

Roll in the ocean and enjoy yourself - Shoot all the sand-pipers you can - Kiss all the pretty girls you see, and make yourself generally miserable - That's what I do here from: 5 oclock in the morning till 11 oclock P.M.; of course the ocean and sand-pipers left out - for these I substitute a river and water thrushes, working on the two till six oclock P.M. and the other till bed time - Is that not a fine way to pass time - I have got several birds which I have not told you of in my last and will here write a list of them -

Picus villosus - Spoliza - Sand-piper
Corvus americanus - Pyranga aestiva -
Phil - minor - Icterus spurius -
Zenaida - zenaidus - Icteria virens -
Ortyx virginiana - Pint - vivescens -
Guiraca ludoviciana - Card. virginiana -
Mycod - mitratus - Etc - Etc - Etc -

The water-thrushes are very interesting and I do not tire of them. Had one alive for several days and he had a good chance to study their habits. They are not all like novelbroaceus but more like sandpipers in habits - I have not found them anywhere away from water - They walk along the edges of the river just like sandpipers wagging their tails and uttering a sharp peep every now and then - They also fly up and take an insect on the wing as flycatchers do - The worm-eating warbler which I have always supposed to be solitary I find to be gregarious going around in flocks of two three and sometimes six birds; hardly ever alone - I have got six golden-winged warblers H & - 27 and think they are quite common here -

Scott M. D.
July 10 – 73

Dear Will

I have been meaning to write you for some time but one thing and another has prevented me and at last I have come to it. You probably know that I am at Pinckney Island and shall stay here during

Thousands of Terns are constantly about in the air and are very noisy as they have nest by the million all over the island. Remember to your father & mother - write me soon and believe me

Very truly Your friend

W. A. Scott

Penekese Isl.
Via New Bedford.
Mass.

Penekese Isl.
July 10th 1873

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the summer - I had a good time in Jersey where I got a few good birds. saw plenty of girls and enjoyed myself generally - woodcock were very thick and I shot quite a number and could have got many more if I had had a dog all the time there are about 15 species of birds here which I have noted but nothing of much account.

together -
Please give my regards
to your father &
Mother and believe
me your friend
W. B. Scott

Plainfield, N. J.
Dec 19- 1873

Dear Will

I drop you
a line to ask you
to come and spend
a week with me
here. I have no great
inducement in the
shooting line to offer
you but the weather
is so warm and fine
that it is like spring.

Good Mr. Q.
Dec 19 - 73

write and tell me
when you will come.
When you get in
N.Y. go to Central
R.R. of New Jersey.
Foot of Liberty St. You
can come out to Plain=
field any time during
the day and if you
will let me know
I will meet you at
whatever train you
say either here or in
N.Y.
You had better come
and we can go back

Have not got many
birds for there is not
much to get. A red-
shouldered hawk and
a hairy woodpecker
are really all that
are of much value.
There are lots of hawks
here but they are so
wild that it is diffi=
cult to get a shot.
I got mine at about
ninety yard range.
Four drachms of pow=
der and a wire cartridge
of No. 4. Shot.

Mound City, Kas
Sunday Mar 15-74

Dear Club

I am as you will see by the above post mark in Kansas - I drop you this line to tell you a letter of what I have seen during the past three days for I arrived here ~~&~~ Thursday night last -

Saturday it rained and so have only Friday to tell you of - The country is rolling prairie and near here is a [illegible] and some woodland - went out at half past seven and was out three hours - Took as follows. will not say at present how rare or common any are.

Sialia sialis - 1 ♂
Parus atricapillus. 1 ♂
Soph. bicolor - 1 ♂
Zonotrichia querula - 1 ♀. 3 ♂
Junco hyemalis - 1 ♂
Cardinalis virginiana - 1 ♂
Centurus carolinensis 1 ♂
Colluria borealis ♀ 1 ♀ up
Sturnella magna var neglecta
Most of took and besides noted Cupidonia cupido.
Clyzx virginianus -
Eremophila alpestris -
Spizella monticola -
Pipilo erythrophthalmus
Cyanurus cristatus -
Corvus americanus.

Very truly

N. S. Scott

Dear Will

Drop you a line to say that did not go to Illinois as I expected but finding my brother who still in Kansas pushed on to see him.

You will please read the enclosed note to the Club.

Your friend
W. S. Scott

Scott W. D.
Mch. 15-14

South Missouri State Normal School,

WARRENSBURG, MO. Sunday 12 Apr 87 +

Geo. M. B.
Apr. 12-1874

Dear Friend

I send you some bird notes and a list of the birds here. Those marked with a + I have taken the others only seen –

Tyrannus tyrannus. +
Sialia sialis. +
Turdus fuscescens. +
Myi. [illegible]. +
Parus atri. [illegible]. + many.
Sph. [illegible]. + many.
Spiz. [illegible]. +
" [illegible] +
Mel. melodia. +
Pas [illegible]. +
Hom. [illegible]. + [illegible].
" [illegible]. + [illegible].
Corvus [illegible]. +
[illegible] +
[illegible]. +
[illegible]. +
[illegible]. +
[illegible] +
Fed. [illegible]. +
Fiber [illegible]. +
" [illegible]. +

Spty. [illegible] + many
Centurus carolinus. + [illegible]
Colaptes auratus. +
Melan. erythrocph. +
[illegible] +
Pipilo [illegible] ? +
Card. virginianus. +
Cory. frotis.
Ch. [illegible] +
Sitta [illegible] +
Ancht. [illegible] + [illegible]
[illegible] + [illegible]
Fringa [illegible] +
Ardea [illegible] +
Ortyx [illegible]
Agelaius [illegible] + –
Sturnella [illegible] + –
Poecil. [illegible] +
Zenaidura [illegible] –
Bonasa [illegible] –

Cistus ocyo - Arnoglossum atriplicifolium. Prunus serotina.
Androsace septentrionalis + Carex virginiana - Lepidium campestre.

Now we all I can think of such more & look in this list for the 70 species & we
[illegible]. I have never seen P. lineata
as abundant as we are. Take a wet? week egg
of B. [illegible] yesterday - hypopyrenium are
the characteristic trees of this section just
at present.

Write soon to

Yours etc.

M. S. Bebb

Scott M.D.
April 26-1874

Dear Sir

As I know you are so fond of fancy pigeons & have an early opportunity of showing the [illegible] acquisition in that line - many thanks for your trouble and I go home at once -

Henry Purdie

wrote me of your dog Ettrick and you did not

for stay as attorney
[illegible]
hope write you again
soon and longer.
Very truly your friend.
M. V. Scott

Apl 26-74

Dry a week as to how
front gets on. I have
taken some in the [illegible]
and the spring
so far backward that
the animals come in
slowly. Rel. elegance
but. [illegible] - as we
that I have [illegible] down-
town during the past
[illegible]. It was a good
spring for Prairie [illegible]
[illegible] Ducks were
hundreds when I first
came. Ten acres
like 5 and snipe are

My dear Will

You are so
unfortunate always never
enough. Now is your time!
Am glad [illegible] like my
paper. I suppose H. A.
P. has left [illegible]
What I have taken out
I will just tell a week
[illegible] have some
[illegible] time —
I find Pro. editor [illegible]
all were read here later
[illegible] so [illegible] —

The last [illegible] was on
Friday, I took as follows
[illegible] red house by
Elm [illegible] a. m.
Circumaiculus pennsylvanicus 8,
Cat. [illegible] Euspiza
americana 13, Fam. Alauda-
cidae 2, [illegible] 2,
and two chats, two kentuc-
ky warblers [illegible] crows.
I was on the prairie west
of [illegible] as you will
see by the list of birds which
[illegible] Some wier mes-
sage you think so. I [illegible]
at half past five.
I have got lines on a
trizer over five hundred
birds and am very
satisfied with my trip.
Tell Rudd I am waiting
to hear from him and
[illegible] to Henry
Henshaw. Write me soon
and let me know
you are doing, how many
birds you have, how many
[illegible] you and the cook
have shot, how many
[illegible] you have exhausted
Alice and all about it.

Sincerely your friend
W. W. Scott

Sunday
May 24 - 1879

Scott W. D.
May 18-14

New Brunswick
New Jersey -
Sept 3d 74

My Dear Nell

After a long time you see I am writing you once more and I hardly know what to say to account for my long silence. You must make excuses for me as I can not find them for myself. But that old saying of "a woman at the bottom" is applicable here. In short your friend is guilty enough and humbly awaits your congratulations. At Garden Street either and I must inflict you with details as it is a young lady

P. S.

What do you think of my writing a letter with news from Jno. Has I time long enough to have it rec'd. where?

Scott W.
Sept. 3d - 74

not know to you. And of course I might very happily I can't hope for your sympathy. You're not in that case but the right one will be found by you sometime I hope. Now that is all the reason and I trust you will pardon my apparent rudeness: glad as of course my time has been very fully taken up. But the birds could suffer and I have been doing a little all summer and hope to do much this fall. Have been out all day and only fired my gun once. Have grown fastidious since my Dakota experiences and it's rather time just now here. Have entirely recovered from a flying trip to Cambridge where I attended a lot of

old fellows at which Pickering. Shaw he an sometimes in the morning when I hope to see you. Am staying with an uncle at present and enjoying a much more civilized here. Must do you time in Boston? Please write me soon. Good expense me to his ridiculous. I am his type as I like you what wine of his read Remember. I will try and write regularly if you care to. Believe me as ever

Very truly your friend

Jr. N. Scott.

Buckeswell
23 Sept '14 -

My dear Mrs

I was truly glad to hear from you so early as you may judge by my early answer. Thanks for your congratulations and I was not so very particular as you imagine; only I did not care to have the affair made public as I hate this sort of advertising that is generally done. We you like me: You are one well to get so many for this and what little I have been able I must work

is Thick-billed Murger by comparison. You never seem good birds and my reputation: Q. aglaia 4 - W. castanea 3. T. luck minor 2 - Colluricincla harmonica 1 - C. Car. virginianus 5 in 3 ad. These I have taken since the first of this month as well as all the common warblers: Parulas, Cerulescens, Maculosa, discolor and many others as: S. aurilla, Cy. Cyanea, Bai. Cardinalis. All in fine plumage. My mission has turned up six warblers and fifty among Mr. G. Chilton's, P. C. Green and many others have over figures. I made a careful notes on the migration while there and will write them up presently. Each afternoon I was there and wish to go again before many years. Probably I will spend next summer with my brother in Colorado if he is agreeable when I hope to pick up a pretty fair "bag". If you want to know the birds that my mission trip cost you come and spend a week in November with me. Should be delighted to have you and we can get ducks, rabs and probably many other birds that winter here. What say you. Let me know when you can best come and I will arrange to be at home. Should go to Pleasantville this week and you may write here to you here again.

I have got cured with cancer
I cure here. 3 S. cancer and
2 ~~Stomach~~ Lung-cured. - write me
soon and believe me

as ever your

W. J. Scott

Scott W. J.
Sept. 23, 14

Pleinfield
Oct 31st 74 -

My Dear Will

Four weeks ago
I wrote you asking you to come
here at once and had begun
to think you were sick or away
when this morning Brother
took the letter out of his
pocket and said she had
forgotten to post it -
We have had very bad
luck in this matter of
your coming to see me.
Now you must name as

Scott W.O.
Oct. 31-74

early a day as you find
convenient so that we may
make up for lost time.
I will meet you in New
York at the Grand Central
Depot whenever you may choose
to come.
I suppose you can not
come now until after your
annual "blow-out" on the
Cape with Dolvin.
But come as soon as you
can and let me hear from
you at once.
Not much new in the bird
line. 3 Lon. leucophrys and
1 hawks sparrow, Cooper's,
and sharp-shinned.
2 Western-headed red ——
and various other birds.

The Lunge hawks are just beginning to come
in now and as I have a good horse
to shoot with I expect to do a very fair
thing with them all through the winter.
My regards to Pulit and the "white
Purple" with my own and everyone's
accident that would have brought my
main Lunge away from you.
As ever your friend
W. W. Scott

Plainfield
Feb. 4th '75

My Dear Will

Fairly ashamed of myself I hardly dare to write to you. But so little has happened to me of late that there has been nothing to talk about. Have been in town all winter and have just come out here to have a look around. To see the birds but find them fewer. Stuart writes to me now and again but aside from him I do not hear much from Cambridge. Probably the work goes on about the same as ever there. To day has been very stormy and I have not had much chance to look at the birds. Have seen a few hawks, red shouldered and kites; and blue birds,

Days, Short-hooks, and our shirts.
If you have a mind to spend
a little time with me, name your
own day and I shall be only
too happy to see you.
Write me soon, darling love,
and believe me as of old
your friend
W. W. Scott

Princeton Ill.
Aug 29 - 1875

My dear Sir

I have been waiting to hear from you for some time and drop you just this line to know if you are coming and when - We not come before the 10th of Sep. unless you would find the tent more agreeable - Have taken about a hundred birds since my return - The best are - H. fuscus and H. chrysopterus - Fuscus plumages - Young Cob. passerinus and D. pennsylvanicus - Many others that are very good - Come and see them -

As ever yours

W. D. Scott

Scott W. D.
Aug. 29-'75